

## بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

### Shaykh Ahmad's Personal and Emotional Story

*Assalam Alaykum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatoh*

*This was excerpted from Shaykh Ahmad Jibril's Eleventh Tawheed Class. An emotional, personal story, that's intended to provide an amazing lesson. Subhanallah, in my personal opinion, this story provides multiple lessons if pondered over the right way. I really hope these fresh new batch of students that are with him in the states didn't do the same thing the old students did. If that did happen, then sufficient is Allah for you ya Shaykhna. May Allah grant Shaykh Ahmad and Shaykh Musa a prolonged life full of deeds. May Allah grant them both patience, firmness, and steadfastness. May Allah have mercy on Shaykh Ahmad's mother and grant her Firdaus. May Allah forgive their sins, shower them with mercy, and give them a way out*

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### **THE IMPORTANCE OF INTENTION**

**Renew your oath, renew your oath every day. Renew your Niyyah every day. Not every day but many times a day, not many times a day but every step of your way, every act of your way. Every time you say a word, every time you type something, every time you go for a Da'wah event, any time, renew your Niyyah. That is how you get your strength for Sabr, when calamity hits you later on. If hard times pass you in this life and people turn away, do you think anyone is going to help you before Allah**

﴿يَوْمَ يَفِرُّ الْمَرْءُ مِنْ أَخِيهِ ﴿٢٠﴾ وَأُمِّهِ وَأَبِيهِ ﴿٢١﴾ وَصَاحِبَتِهِ وَبَنِيهِ ﴿٢٢﴾﴾

﴿٢٣﴾ عَبَسَ ﴿٢٤﴾

**If they do not help you in this life, you think they are going to help you in the life after?**

If trials overwhelm you, you are not going to find no one there but Allah and truly Allah is sufficient. That is all you really need. The question is how to get Allah on your side?

You are going to get hurdles and bumps in your Da'wah, the trials and tribulations are like hurdles and bumps, one after another in your Da'wah path. You are not going to find no one but Allah when you get on these hurdles. So if you want Him to be there for you, make sure that every step of the way before you got to those hurdles, you were doing that which pleases

Allah and not what pleases the masses. And not what pleases your friends or what pleases people. Does this please Allah, does this make Allah happy, is this in accordance with the teachings of Islam?

We all have situations where we had friends who betrayed us. If I was to let you talk, we would be here all day and everyone has a story of his own. I do not like to make my personal life a centre stage or talk about it in lectures or even in social media, but sometimes there is essential lessons that come out these stories and also sometimes there is awareness that comes out of them to other Muslims. So I can say today from what I know, there is no one who follows my classes who was among my students before I went to prison. Not one that I know of, unless they are hiding behind and listening, but someone who interacts and ask questions or that I know of that studies with me, not a single one. When I was taken to prison, it was approximately two nights before the end of Ramadhaan, it was two nights before 'Eid al-Fitr. The first night I spent in prison, I woke up to 'Eid al-Fitr in prison. May Allah give my mother the highest Firdaws Inshaa Allah for what she endured of hardship.

The night before I went to prison, my father and I were invited to one of our students' house for Iftaar and it was packed. Ahmad Jibril is going to be there, Shaykh Musa is going to be there, everyone was there, it was packed. We stayed late at the brothers' house because it was a large gathering, it was a very large gathering and I led the Taraweeh there. I was supposed to do a Khitma al-Qur'an somewhere else because it was Juzz 'Amma that I was going to do and because there was a large gathering I did it there in the house. We led the Salah there and we finished Juzz 'Amma, we finished the Khitma. My father said to the people, if tomorrow is not 'Eid, because tomorrow there is a possibility of being 'Eid, if tomorrow is not 'Eid everyone is invited to our house. Because we go by sighting, we do not know, they still did not pinpoint whether it was going to be 'Eid or the final day of Ramadhaan.

Everyone was invited to our house, may Allah reward my father, grant him a long life full of deeds and may Allah grant my mother Firdaws. We were expecting at least a hundred and fifty to two fifty, and they come into our house. This was the trend, if you know anyone of those days they will tell you, they would come in in shifts and eat. May Allah raise my mother's rank to Firdaws. After Taraweeh, there were those who were eager to sit to my right and left, in my surrounding, I remember it as though it was today. Note, this is my final night in freedom. Even before that, when I used to go deliver lectures, it was common to go in a caravan. We would go in several cars and I remember they would argue who sits in the car with me. And even at times, brothers would come tell me they are arguing who is going to drive the car that you are going in. Wallahi, Wallahi, that happened many times.

Let me say, when I walked in court for my sentencing, the courtroom was packed. Shoulder to shoulder, but not a single believer in Laa ilaaha illallah Muhammadar-Rasoolullah, except me and my father. All FBI prosecutors, all government agents, counter terrorism officers, agents from every agency. The lawyer said, these people truly hate you, I have never seen

them do this to any one before. Because when there is an audience in there, that puts an impact on the judge, because you know, they do not know how they judge, so that usually puts an impact on the judge to give you a higher sentence. The lawyer said, I have never seen them attend a sentencing like this before ever, they really hate you. But where is the followers they claim you have, where is all the followers they claim that you have. Our house back in the days and I say it Wallahi just out of a lesson, nothing else, was open for students 24/7, the upper level of our house. In fact, I was looking at our old coffee machine back in the days, it was the old commercial ones because those little ones did not befit our house because there was always guests. We had the big ones, I was looking at it the other day, Wallahi it has AJ's 'Ilm Café on it, that is what they used to call our house. People in and out constantly, learning, teaching, Da'wah. And may Allah raise my mother's rank, she stood alone in this matter. Providing and giving and looking out and cooking and bringing the food and the coffee and all that. After lectures or Halaqaat, I remember there were days where they would follow me back to the house to the point that, as if I am seeing it today, brothers would be sitting by the doorway of the bathroom. Be packed to the point people are sitting at the doorway of the bathroom. The judge handling my case is about five foot, he is known to be very short. The lesson learned is, if not a single person stood in support before a five foot judge, do you think anyone will stand by your side when you are in the court of all courts? Before 'Allaamul-Ghuyoob, the one whose Kursi is bigger than the Heavens and the Earth, if they could not stand before a judge who is five foot tall? Every step of the way, renew your oath, that is the lesson of it. Every step of the way, ask yourself, is this pleasing Allah? And if at times there is masses, when hardship strikes they will disperse, and then you will only have Allah. So ask yourself before that, are you pleasing Allah? If you protected Allah back in the days, He is going to protect you. That is one of the best means of preserving patience in hardship. Yaa Allah, I am doing this for Your Sake, always. That is the importance of intention

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